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Re: In Re: 650 Fifth Avenue and Related Properties,

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Dear Judge Forrest:

The Government respectfully submits this letter to request an extension of time to respond to the petition pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 983(g) submitted yesterday by claimants the Alavi Foundation and 650 Fifth Avenue Company (collectively, "Claimants"). See 11/21/2013 Letter to Hon. Katherine B. Forrest from Daniel S. Ruzumna (ECF D.E. 1019). The Government respectfully requests until Thursday, December 12, 2013 to oppose Claimants' petition.

Claimants' petition, although filed by way of a letter, is a substantive civil petition that the Government ordinarily would have fourteen days to oppose. *See* S.D.N.Y. Local Civil Rule 6.1(b). Thus, the Government's opposition would be due on Friday, December 6, 2013. However, due to the Thanksgiving holiday next week, undersigned counsel requests an extension of six days, making the Government's opposition due on Thursday, December 12, 2013. Counsel for Claimants consents to the Government's application. If the Government's application is granted, Claimants' reply would be due seven days later, on Thursday, December 19, 2013.

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